



Rotary **ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS**



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MEETING NOTES: 03/26/2025

Call to Order: Meetings are going to start 15 minutes earlier to allow enough time for everything we need to do. Thus at 11:45 the bell was rung and the meeting called to order by President Carolyn. Sergeant at Arms David B. led us in the flag salute. "America the Beautiful" was sung by a country singer who your faithful note taker did not know.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Connie P. brought her neighbor Susan S. Mike B was visiting from the Palo Alto Club. Jim O. had Debbie T. from Choice in Aging.

Thought for the Day: Read by David B. Recipe for a Good Life by Mohammed Ali when asked how he would like to be remembered:

"I'd like for them to say he took a few cups of love.

He took one tablespoon of patience,

One teaspoon of generosity,

One pint of kindness;

He took one quart of laughter,

One pinch of concern.

And then, he mixed willingness with happiness,

He added lots of faith and he stirred it up well.

Then he spread it throughout a lifetime and he served it to every deserving person he met."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up for the District Conference in San Ramon the first weekend in May. There is optional **golf on Friday**. Sign up through DACdb, go to calendar, go to the date, and click on register.

We are going to tour the Black Hawk Museum on the last Wednesday in April after our regular meeting. We will be arranging car-pools next week.

Rossmoor Rotary Foundation Chair Dr. Eddie presented grant award checks of \$5,000 each to four local organizations that serve our community. Receiving the awards were:

Trinity Center represented by Pam McGrath. They offer essential safety net services for the unhoused. During the last year they have helped 1,400 adults and assisted 112 into stable housing. Rotary helps by serving breakfast once a month and working the mail room.

Choice in Ageing was represented by Juan Orantes. They offer a day program for adults with various types of dementia. This program is paired with a Montessori pre-school.

Contra Costa Crisis Center's check was received by Marenanne Villabelanca. They have a referral service for those in crises and those contemplating suicide. They give out emergency food and counseling for housing.

Monument Crisis Center's check was given to Sandra Scherer. They have been serving the local community for 22 years. They deal with the entire family through six core programs. They work with 300 families every month.

We all felt a sense of pride in being able to assist these worthwhile organizations in our community.

Raffle: Mike B and Brenda won Starbucks gift cards.

PROGRAM

After lunch, we returned for the program, which was four Las Lomas students presenting their speeches for the 4-Way Speech Contest. The students are all taking speech and debate under the direction of teacher Wendy Reeves Hampton. The task is to deliver a speech that is between 5-7 minutes long that illustrates the principals of The 4-Way Test that guides us as Rotarians.

All four students did a great job and used the principles of the 4 Way Test effectively. All received a check. First place was Harrishwin Sivakumaian Thangaraj, 2nd was Kimberly Huang, 3rd was Georgette Taylor and 4th Charlotte Abellera.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2	Mike Crosby – End Polio Now
April 9	10:30 Club Board of Directors Meeting
April 9	Janet Grizzell – Red hot Quartet Music Enjoyment
April 16	10:30 RRF Trustee Meeting
April 16	Member Bios

PHOTOS



Photos from B Walker Ranch Water Tank Installation below







